

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1333
ANSWERED ON:16.11.2010
COMPLETION OF KOLLAM BYPASS
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether acquisition of land for the entire stretch of Kollam by-pass has been completed along with construction of 4.791 km. of road from Ch. 8/350 to 13/141 on NH-47;
- (b) if so, whether the completion of the entire stretch and construction of 2 Bridges across Aravila Lake and Kandachira Lake is yet to be started;
- (c) whether there is any demand from the State of Kerala for an amount of Rs 138 crores for the balance work; and
- (d) if so, the time by which the required fund is likely to be released?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R. P. N. SINGH)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Construction of balance length of Kollam bypass including the bridges is part of NHDP package for 4 laning of Ochira to Thiruvananthapuram Section (Km 465/000 to Km 551/900 of NH-47). Bids for this work were received on 24-08-2009 by National Highway Authority of India (NHAI). However, in view of decision of Government of Kerala to stop all land acquisition activities in Kerala, it was decided by NHAI to cancel the Bidding process.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): Does not arise.